TYPO3.Fluid - Bug # 6202

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Subject: ActionViewHelper breaks html on empty content

Description

It's not really a bug, but to me it's not very well designed.

If we do something like:

```
<f:link.action action="index">{blog.title}</f:link.action>
```

And blog.title is empty we would get:

```
<a href="someUri" otherAttributes="" />
```

Because right now if there is no content given to a ActionViewHelper it assumes that we don't need a closing tag. This ends up in a broken html.

Of course a link-tag without content doesn't make much sense but I think this can happen easily.

This decision is taken in Fluid/Core/ViewHelper/TagBuilder at line 222

```
if ($this->hasContent() || $this->forceClosingTag) {
    $output .= '>' . $this->content . '</' . $this->tagName . '>';
} else {
    $output .= ' />';
}
```

So far I think there are two possible solutions:

1) We add the following to ActionViewHelper, EmailViewHelper and ExternalViewHelper (and all featured TagBasedViewHelpers which do need the closing tag):

```
$this->tag->forceClosingTag(true);
```

2) We make forceClosingTag default true in TagBasedViewHelper and take care that every child of this class which doesn't need a closing tag sets it on false.

Personally I prefer second because I think the number of TagBasedViewHelpers which do need the closing tag is greater than the others.

Regards

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History

#1 - 2010-03-11 10:13 - Robert Lemke

- Target version changed from 1.0.0 alpha 7 to 1.0.0 alpha 8

#2 - 2010-07-12 13:00 - Bastian Waidelich

- Category set to ViewHelpers
- Status changed from New to Rejected
- Target version deleted (1.0.0 alpha 8)
- Branch set to v4 + v5

Hi Georg and sorry for the late reaction;)

You're right, *\$this->tag->forceClosingTag(true);* would be the solution for this. But I don't agree to change this actually..

The anchor tag is allowed to be self-closing (in contrast to the script tag for example). So self-closing a-tags if there is no content seems to be the correct behavior to me. And it is XHTML-valid either.

I'm taking the liberty to close this issue for now. If you don't agree or want to discuss this further, please re-open!

Thanks for your feedback.

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